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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC UP 4.4 PERCENT IN 1984

WASHINGTON, D.C., January 22--Combined domestic and international scheduled airline passenger traffic increased 4.4 percent in preliminary results for 1984, the Air Transport Association said today.

Domestic air traffic in 1984 was up 3.5 percent and international traffic increased 9.0 percent, compared with 1983.

For December, systemwide passenger traffic increased 5.8 percent over the same month a year previously.

In domestic service, revenue passenger miles increased 5.8 percent from December of 1983. Passenger load factor for the month was 55.8 percent, the same as in December of the prior year.

In international service, revenue passenger miles in December increased 5.6 percent from December 1983. Passenger load factor was 60.4 percent, compared with 58.8 percent.

The load factor for 1984, including both domestic and international operations, was 58.5 percent, compared with 60.3 percent in 1983.

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PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

DECEMBER 1984 - 1983

		DECEMBER					YEAR TO DATE				
		RPM'S (000)	PCT	ASM'S (000)	PCT	LOAD FACTOR	RPM'S (000)	PCT	ASM'S (000)	PCT	LOAD FACTOR
DOMESTIC	YEAR										
MAJORS	84	15,501,078	4.9	27,693,848	4.5	56.0	185,950,759	1.7	322,974,256	5.9	57.6
	83	14,773,181		26,490,329		55.8	182,779,455		304,981,620		59.9
NATIONALS	84	1,990,891	13.5	3,627,818	15.3	54.9	24,155,709	18.9	44,109,217	23.5	54.8
	83	1,754,246		3,146,772		55.7	20,319,138		35,704,835		56.9
TOTAL	84	17,491,969	5.8	31,321,666	5.7	55.8	210,106,468	3.5	367,083,473	7.7	57.2
	83	16,527,427		29,637,101		55.8	203,098,593		340,686,455		59.6
INTERNATIONAL											
MAJORS	84	3,280,007	6.6	5,432,612	3.6	60.4	45,102,378	9.5	68,965,648	6.3	65.4
	83	3,076,902		5,243,890		58.7	41,191,544		64,860,345		63.5
NATIONALS	84	18,302	-60.7	29,742	-56.0	61.5	647,185	-15.1	980,855	3.7	66.0
	83	46,610		67,616		68.9	761,856		945,902		80.5
TOTAL	84	3,298,309	5.6	5,462,354	2.8	60.4	45,749,563	9.0	69,946,503	6.3	65.4
	83	3,123,512		5,311,506		58.8	41,953,400		65,806,247		63.8
SYSTEM TOTAL											
MAJORS	84	18,781,085	5.2	33,126,460	4.4	56.7	231,053,137	3.2	391,939,904	6.0	59.0
	83	17,850,083		31,734,219		56.2	223,970,999		369,841,965		60.6
NATIONALS	84	2,009,193	11.6	3,657,560	13.8	54.9	24,802,894	17.7	45,090,072	23.0	55.0
	83	1,800,856		3,214,388		56.0	21,080,994		36,650,737		57.5
TOTAL	84	20,790,278	5.8	36,784,020	5.3	56.5	255,856,031	4.4	437,029,976	7.5	58.5
	83	19,650,939		34,948,607		56.2	245,051,993		406,492,702		60.3

NOTES:
(1) CARRIERS INCLUDED: MAJORS - AMERICAN, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AMERICAN, REPUBLIC, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR AND WESTERN.

NATIONALS - AIRCAL, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, CAPITOL, FRONTIER, HAWAIIAN, MIDWAY, OZARK, PIEDMONT AND PSA.

(2) CONTINENTAL DATA AND NORTHWEST INTERNATIONAL DATA ARE NOT INCLUDED.

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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC SCORES RECORD IN JANUARY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 — The U.S. airlines set a January traffic record of more than 20.4 billion revenue passenger miles, a 10.1 percent gain over the same month last year, the Air Transport Association said today.

A passenger mile represents one passenger flown one mile. The previous January record occurred with more than 18.5 billion passenger miles produced in the first month of 1984.

Domestic passenger traffic in January, 1985, rose 10.9 percent. The load factor was 54.3 percent, up from 52.3 percent in January of last year.

International passenger traffic in January was up 6 percent. Load factor was 59.4 percent, up from 57.9 percent in January, 1984.

The total passenger load factor in January, including both domestic and international, rose to 55.0 percent from 53.1 percent in the same month a year earlier. Available seat miles were up 6.3 percent.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

JANUARY 1985 - 1984

		RPM'S (000)	ASM'S (000)	LOAD FACTOR
DOMESTIC	85	17,230,671	31,730,850	54.3
	84	15,538,764	29,705,412	52.3
PERCENT CHANGE		10.9	6.8	
INTERNATIONAL	85	3,218,309	5,420,145	59.4
	84	3,036,618	5,247,740	57.9
PERCENT CHANGE		6.0	3.3	
TOTAL	85	20,448,980	37,150,995	55.0
	84	18,575,382	34,953,152	53.1
PERCENT CHANGE		10.1	6.3	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICAN, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST (DOMESTIC ONLY), PAN AM, PIEDMONT, REPUBLIC, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, WESTERN, AIRCAL, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, FRONTIER, HAWAIIAN, MIDWAY, OZARK, AND PSA.

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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC UP 7.8% IN FEBRUARY

WASHINGTON, D.C., March 18 — Airline passenger traffic rose 7.8 percent in February, over February, 1984, and was up 9 percent for the first two months of the year, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service in February, traffic gained 8.4 percent. Passenger load factor was 56.5 percent, up from 52.6 percent for February, 1984. Available seat miles in domestic service in February rose 0.9 percent over the same month a year ago.

For the first two months, the comparable domestic service figures revealed traffic up 9.7 percent, load factor at 55.3 percent, up from 52.4 percent, and available seat miles showing a gain of 3.9 percent.

In international service in February, traffic rose 4.0 percent. Passenger load factor was 56.5 percent, up from 54.2 percent in February, 1984.

For the first two months in international service, traffic increased 5.1 percent. The load factor was at 58.0 percent, up from 56.1 percent, and available seat miles rose 1.7 percent.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

FEBRUARY 1985 - 1984

	YEAR	FEBRUARY RPM'S (000)	FEBRUARY ASM'S (000)	FEBRUARY LOAD FACTOR (%)	YEAR TO DATE RPM'S (000)	YEAR TO DATE ASM'S (000)	YEAR TO DATE LOAD FACTOR (%)
DOMESTIC	85	16,068,991	28,449,378	56.5	33,299,662	60,180,228	55.3
	84	14,820,798	28,199,751	52.6	30,359,562	57,905,163	52.4
PERCENT CHANGE		8.4	0.9		9.7	3.9	
INTERNATIONAL	85	2,667,901	4,722,517	56.5	5,886,210	10,142,662	58.0
	84	2,565,092	4,728,813	54.2	5,601,710	9,976,553	56.1
PERCENT CHANGE		4.0	(0.1)		5.1	1.7	
TOTAL	85	18,736,892	33,171,895	56.5	39,185,872	70,322,890	55.7
	84	17,385,890	32,928,564	52.8	35,961,272	67,881,716	53.0
PERCENT CHANGE		7.8	0.7		9.0	3.6	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICAN, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST (DOMESTIC ONLY), PAN AM, PIEDMONT, REPUBLIC, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, WESTERN, AIRCAL, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, FRONTIER, HAWAIIAN, MIDWAY, OZARK AND PSA.

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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC UP 15.4% IN MARCH, 12.7% IN FIRST QUARTER

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 18 — Airline passenger traffic rose 15.4 percent in March, over March, 1984, and was up 12.7 percent for the first quarter of the year, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service in March, traffic gained 18.6 percent. Passenger load factor was 67.1 percent, up from 59.0 percent from March, 1984. Available seat miles in domestic service in March rose 4.2 percent over the same month a year ago.

For the first quarter, the comparable domestic service figures revealed traffic up 14.5 percent, load factor at 59.5 percent, up from 55.0 percent, and available seat miles showing a gain of 5.8 percent.

In international service in March, traffic was flat. Passenger load factor was 72.3 percent, up from 63.0 percent in March, 1984.

For the first quarter in international service, traffic increased 4.0 percent. The load factor was at 66.5 percent, up from 59.1 percent, and available seat miles declined 7.5 percent.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

MARCH 1985 - 1984

		MARCH			YEAR TO DATE		
	YEAR	RPM'S (000)	ASM'S (000)	LOAD FACTOR (%)	RPM'S (000)	ASM'S (000)	LOAD FACTOR (%)
DOMESTIC	85	22,368,504	33,326,709	67.1	57,741,643	97,096,312	59.5
	84	18,862,044	31,978,122	59.0	50,416,874	91,740,314	55.0
PERCENT CHANGE		18.6	4.2		14.5	5.8	
INTERNATIONAL	85	3,896,110	5,386,537	72.3	11,085,064	16,679,295	66.5
	84	3,896,639	6,185,070	63.0	10,655,587	18,040,777	59.1
PERCENT CHANGE		(.0)	(12.9)		4.0	(7.5)	
TOTAL	85	26,264,614	38,713,246	67.8	68,826,707	113,775,607	60.5
	84	22,758,683	38,163,192	59.6	61,072,461	109,781,091	55.6
PERCENT CHANGE		15.4	1.4		12.7	3.6	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICAN, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AM, PIEDMONT, REPUBLIC, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, WESTERN, AIRCAL, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, FRONTIER, HAWAIIAN MIDWAY, OZARK AND PSA. CONTINENTAL SYSTEM TRAFFIC INCLUDED UNDER DOMESTIC.

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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC UP 13.7% IN APRIL

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 20--Airline passenger traffic rose 13.7 percent in April over April, 1984, and was up 13 percent for the first four months of the year, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service in April, traffic gained 16 percent. Passenger load factor was 63.5 percent, up from 57.9 percent for April, 1984. Available seat miles in domestic service in April rose 5.9 percent over the same month a year ago.

In international service in April, traffic rose 4.2 percent. Passenger load factor was 65.7 percent, up from 64.4 percent in April, 1984. Available seat miles increased 2.0 percent.

Domestic airline passenger traffic in the first four months rose 14.7 percent. The load factor was at 60.4 percent, up from 55.7 percent. Available seat miles registered a gain of 5.7 percent.

The nation's international airline passenger traffic in the first four months increased 5.3 percent. The load factor was at 66.3 percent, up from 60.5 percent in the first four months of last year. Available seat miles declined 3.8 percent.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

APRIL 1985 - 1984

	YEAR	APRIL RPM'S (000)	APRIL ASM'S (000)	APRIL LOAD FACTOR (%)	YEAR TO DATE RPM'S (000)	YEAR TO DATE ASM'S (000)	YEAR TO DATE LOAD FACTOR (%)
DOMESTIC	85	20,794,239	32,755,586	63.5	77,956,306	128,978,963	60.4
	84	17,921,566	30,936,030	57.9	67,967,230	122,080,163	55.7
PERCENT CHANGE		16.0	5.9		14.7	5.7	
INTERNATIONAL	85	4,474,886	6,807,322	65.7	16,139,030	24,359,003	66.3
	84	4,293,802	6,672,302	64.4	15,320,599	25,309,260	60.5
PERCENT CHANGE		4.2	2.0		5.3	(3.8)	
TOTAL	85	25,269,125	39,562,908	63.9	94,095,336	153,337,966	61.4
	84	22,215,368	37,608,332	59.1	83,287,829	147,389,423	56.5
PERCENT CHANGE		13.7	5.2		13.0	4.0	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICAN, CONTINENTAL, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AM, PIEDMONT, REPUBLIC, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, WESTERN, AIRCAL, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, FRONTIER, HAWAIIAN, MIDWAY, OZARK AND PSA.

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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC SETS MAY RECORD

WASHINGTON, June 19 — Airline passenger traffic last month exceeded any other May in history, rising 14.7 percent over May, 1984, the previous high, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Passenger traffic was up 13.3 percent during the first five months of 1985.

In domestic service in May, traffic gained 14.5 percent. Passenger load factor was 65.7 percent, up from 58.1 percent in May, 1984. Available seat miles in domestic service in May rose 1.3 percent over the same month a year ago.

In international service in May, passenger traffic increased 15.2 percent. Passenger load factor was 63.8 percent, down from 66.6 percent. Available seat miles increased 20.2 percent.

Domestic airline passenger traffic in the first five months rose 14.7 percent. The load factor was at 61.5 percent, up from 56.2 percent. Available seat miles registered a gain of 4.8 percent.

The U.S. airlines' international passenger traffic in the first five months increased 7.7 percent. The load factor was at 65.6 percent, up from 61.9 percent in the first five months of last year.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

MAY 1985 - 1984

		MAY			YEAR TO DATE		
	YEAR	RPM'S (000)	ASM'S (000)	LOAD FACTOR (%)	RPM'S (000)	ASM'S (000)	LOAD FACTOR (%)
DOMESTIC	85	20,951,265	31,887,010	65.7	98,907,571	160,865,973	61.5
	84	18,290,547	31,463,396	58.1	86,257,777	153,543,559	56.2
PERCENT CHANGE		14.5	1.3		14.7	4.8	
INTERNATIONAL	85	5,658,691	8,863,091	63.8	21,797,721	33,222,094	65.6
	84	4,913,727	7,373,486	66.6	20,234,326	32,682,746	61.9
PERCENT CHANGE		15.2	20.2		7.7	1.7	
TOTAL	85	26,609,956	40,750,101	65.3	120,705,292	194,088,067	62.2
	84	23,204,274	38,836,882	59.7	106,492,103	186,226,305	57.2
PERCENT CHANGE		14.7	4.9		13.3	4.2	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICAN, CONTINENTAL, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AM, PIEDMONT, REPUBLIC, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, WESTERN, AIRCAL, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, FRONTIER, HAWAIIAN, MIDWAY, OZARK AND PSA.

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INTERNATIONAL AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC UP 17.3% IN JUNE

WASHINGTON, D.C., July 12 — International passenger traffic for the nation's airlines was up 17.3 percent in June, compared with the same month last year, and domestic traffic rose 7.4 percent — for a systemwide gain of 9.7 percent, the Air Transport Association reported today.

During the first six months of the year, systemwide passenger traffic rose 12.6 percent.

The June domestic traffic increase was achieved despite a strike during part of the month against a major air carrier. The June passenger load factor in domestic service was 70.7 percent, up from 62.3 percent in June, 1984. Available seat miles in domestic operations in June declined 5.4 percent from the same month last year.

Along with the June gain in international passenger traffic, available seat miles increased 21.6 percent. The load factor was 70.4 percent, down from 72.9 percent in June a year ago.

Domestic passenger traffic in the first six months rose 13.3 percent. The load factor was 62.9 percent, up from 57.2 percent in the same month last year. The available seat miles rose 3.0 percent.

International passenger traffic in the first six months increased 9.8 percent. The load factor was 66.7 percent, up from 64.1 percent last June. Available seat miles rose 5.5 percent.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

JUNE 1985 - 1984

		JUNE			YEAR TO DATE		
	YEAR	RPM'S (000)	ASM'S (000)	LOAD FACTOR (%)	RPM'S (000)	ASM'S (000)	LOAD FACTOR (%)
DOMESTIC	85	21,271,449	30,084,065	70.7	120,179,020	190,950,038	62.9
	84	19,797,704	31,796,120	62.3	106,055,481	185,339,679	57.2
PERCENT CHANGE		7.4	(5.4)		13.3	3.0	
INTERNATIONAL	85	6,727,947	9,558,373	70.4	28,525,668	42,780,467	66.7
	84	5,736,540	7,863,661	72.9	25,970,866	40,546,407	64.1
PERCENT CHANGE		17.3	21.6		9.8	5.5	
TOTAL	85	27,999,396	39,642,438	70.6	148,704,688	233,730,505	63.6
	84	25,534,244	39,659,781	64.4	132,026,347	225,886,086	58.4
PERCENT CHANGE		9.7	0		12.6	3.5	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICAN, CONTINENTAL, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AM, PIEDMONT, REPUBLIC, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, WESTERN, AIRCAL, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, FRONTIER, HAWAIIAN, MIDWAY, OZARK AND PSA.

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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC UP 16.2% IN JULY

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 16 — Airline passenger traffic rose 16.2 percent in July over July, 1984, and was up 13.2 percent for the first seven months of the year, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service in July, traffic gained 16.5 percent. Passenger load factor was 64.7 percent, up from 59.0 percent for July, 1984. Available seat miles in domestic service in July rose 6.3 percent over the same month a year ago.

In international service in July, traffic was up 15.3 percent. Passenger load factor was 69.4 percent, down from 71.9 percent in July of last year. Available seat miles increased 19.4 percent.

Domestic airline passenger traffic in the first seven months rose 13.8 percent. The load factor was 63.2 percent, up from 57.5 percent. Available seat miles registered a gain of 3.5 percent.

International airline passenger traffic in the first seven months increased 10.9 percent. The load factor was 67.2 percent, up from 65.4 percent in the first seven months of last year. Available seat miles increased 7.9 percent.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

JULY 1985 - 1984

		JULY			YEAR TO DATE		
	YEAR	RPM'S (000)	ASM'S (000)	LOAD FACTOR (%)	RPM'S (000)	ASM'S (000)	LOAD FACTOR (%)
DOMESTIC	85	23,039,017	35,615,109	64.7	143,218,037	226,565,147	63.2
	84	19,768,818	33,519,590	59.0	125,824,299	218,859,269	57.5
PERCENT CHANGE		16.5	6.3		13.8	3.5	
INTERNATIONAL	85	6,995,367	10,074,204	69.4	35,521,035	52,854,671	67.2
	84	6,067,718	8,438,876	71.9	32,038,584	48,985,283	65.4
PERCENT CHANGE		15.3	19.4		10.9	7.9	
TOTAL	85	30,034,384	45,689,313	65.7	178,739,072	279,419,818	64.0
	84	25,836,536	41,958,466	61.6	157,862,883	267,844,552	58.9
PERCENT CHANGE		16.2	8.9		13.2	4.3	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICAN, CONTINENTAL, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AM, PIEDMONT, REPUBLIC, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, WESTERN, AIRCAL, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, FRONTIER, HAWAIIAN, MIDWAY, OZARK AND PSA.

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Airline Passenger Traffic Sets Record in August

Washington, D.C., September 13--The U.S. airlines set a monthly traffic record in August with 30.9 billion revenue passenger miles, up 11.9 percent over the same month a year ago, the Air Transport Association reported today.

The previous monthly traffic record was 30.0 billion revenue passenger miles in July.

Total available seat miles in August were up 9.2 percent. The passenger load factor was 66.7 percent compared to 65.1 percent in August 1984.

In domestic service, August traffic gained 11.2 percent over August 1984. Available seat miles rose 6.3 percent. Passenger load factor was 65.4 percent compared to 62.5 percent last year.

In international service, traffic climbed 14.3 percent. Available seat miles increased 20.5 percent and the load factor was 71.4 percent compared to 75.3 percent in August 1984.

For the first eight months of 1985, U.S. airlines accounted for 209.6 billion revenue passenger miles, up 13 percent over the 185.5 billion in the first eight months of 1984. Available seat miles increased 5 percent. The passenger load factor during the 1985 period increased to 64.4 percent from 59.8 percent last year, up 4.6 percentage points.

In domestic service for the eight months, traffic was up 13.4 percent and capacity 3.9 percent with load factor increasing to 63.5 percent from 58.2 percent last year.

International traffic for the first eight months was up 11.4 percent and capacity 9.8 percent. The passenger load factor for the 1985 period was 67.9 percent compared to 66.9 percent a year ago.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

AUGUST 1985 - 1984

	YEAR	AUGUST RPM'S (000)	AUGUST ASM'S (000)	AUGUST LOAD FACTOR (%)	YEAR TO DATE RPM'S (000)	YEAR TO DATE ASM'S (000)	YEAR TO DATE LOAD FACTOR (%)
DOMESTIC	85	23,567,171	36,053,980	65.4	166,785,208	262,619,127	63.5
	84	21,197,982	33,902,575	62.5	147,022,281	252,761,844	58.2
PERCENT CHANGE		11.2	6.3		13.4	3.9	
INTERNATIONAL	85	7,303,711	10,223,555	71.4	42,824,746	63,078,226	67.9
	84	6,392,017	8,487,299	75.3	38,430,601	57,472,582	66.9
PERCENT CHANGE		14.3	20.5		11.4	9.8	
TOTAL	85	30,870,882	46,277,535	66.7	209,609,954	325,697,353	64.4
	84	27,589,999	42,389,874	65.1	185,452,882	310,234,426	59.8
PERCENT CHANGE		11.9	9.2		13.0	5.0	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICAN, CONTINENTAL, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AM, PIEDMONT, REPUBLIC, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, WESTERN, AIRCAL, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, FRONTIER, HAWAIIAN, MIDWAY, OZARK AND PSA.

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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC UP 12.1% IN FIRST NINE MONTHS OF '85

WASHINGTON, D.C., October 17 — Airline passenger traffic was up 12.1 percent for the first three quarters of 1985, compared with the first nine months of last year, and traffic for September was up 4.6 percent, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service for the first nine months, traffic gained 12.5 percent. The available seat miles were up 4.3 percent and the load factor was 62.4 percent, up from 57.8 percent for the same period last year.

In international service for the first three quarters, traffic rose 10.6 percent. Available seat miles were up 10.4 percent. The load factor was 67.4 percent, virtually unchanged from the 67.3 percent for the same period last year.

Domestic passenger traffic in September rose 4.6 percent. Available seat miles increased 7.4 percent. The load factor was 53.4 percent, down from 54.9 percent in September a year earlier.

International passenger traffic in September was up 4.5 percent. Available seat miles registered a gain of 15 percent over September, 1984. The load factor was 63.7 percent, down from 70.1 percent in the same month last year.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

SEPTEMBER 1985 - 1984

	YEAR	SEPTEMBER RPM'S (000)	SEPTEMBER ASM'S (000)	SEPTEMBER LOAD FACTOR (%)	YEAR TO DATE RPM'S (000)	YEAR TO DATE ASM'S (000)	YEAR TO DATE LOAD FACTOR (%)
DOMESTIC	85	17,918,072	33,533,635	53.4	184,703,280	296,152,762	62.4
	84	17,127,707	31,209,382	54.9	164,149,988	283,971,226	57.8
PERCENT CHANGE		4.6	7.4		12.5	4.3	
INTERNATIONAL	85	5,844,869	9,171,943	63.7	48,669,615	72,250,169	67.4
	84	5,590,887	7,977,927	70.1	44,021,488	65,450,509	67.3
PERCENT CHANGE		4.5	15.0		10.6	10.4	
TOTAL	85	23,762,941	42,705,578	55.6	233,372,895	368,402,931	63.3
	84	22,718,594	39,187,309	58.0	208,171,476	349,421,735	59.6
PERCENT CHANGE		4.6	9.0		12.1	5.4	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICAN, CONTINENTAL, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AM, PIEDMONT, REPUBLIC, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, WESTERN, AIRCAL, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, FRONTIER, HAWAIIAN, MIDWAY, OZARK AND PSA.